

Food and Growing Group Meeting on 23/8/18 7.30 at Lesley's

Present : Penny H, Trish Mc, Julie S, Lesley R, Anne T, Duncan S, Martin S, Peter M, Julie G.

Apologies : Jimmie H, Toni C, Dan R.

Activity	Notes	Action																					
<p>1. Apple Press</p>	<p>Duncan already has several bookings for apple press. Agreed borrower needs to pick it up (rather than D delivering it) either from Duncan's or via liaison through Duncan from eg a market or another borrower. It is preferred that the press etc be taken in the trailer, keeps everything in one place.</p> <p>At weekends in late Sept./Oct/Nov priority given to having the press at the markets- as follows :</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="349 632 1193 1075"> <thead> <tr> <th>Date</th> <th>Market</th> <th>Link person</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Sat Sept 29</td> <td>N Kessock</td> <td>Anne T</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sat Oct 6</td> <td>Fortrose</td> <td>Martin S</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sat Oct 13</td> <td>Cromarty</td> <td>Peter Tilbrook</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sat Oct 20</td> <td>Culbokie</td> <td>Duncan</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sat Oct 27</td> <td>N Kessock</td> <td>Anne T</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sat Nov 3</td> <td>Fortrose</td> <td>Martin</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Website info on apple press needs updating, revised version of the booking proforma to be added and some contact detail for Duncan amended.</p> <p>Agreed a poster would be helpful with market dates.</p> <p>Information about apple press and markets to go in newsletter, end August (and Sept) as usual</p>	Date	Market	Link person	Sat Sept 29	N Kessock	Anne T	Sat Oct 6	Fortrose	Martin S	Sat Oct 13	Cromarty	Peter Tilbrook	Sat Oct 20	Culbokie	Duncan	Sat Oct 27	N Kessock	Anne T	Sat Nov 3	Fortrose	Martin	<p>Duncan to check with Peter Tilbrook re Cromarty</p> <p>Martin liaising with Fortrose re person to oversee apple press for there.</p> <p>Duncan to check and send updated info to Peter.</p> <p>Anne to liaise with Wendy.</p> <p>Julie G to send in to newsletter.</p>
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2. Potato Day	Trish has had a query from Soirbheas re a possible speaker on potatoes, agreed Agric might be a good possibility or may know someone. Discussion about quantity to order this year - decided same as last year. Weather was the likely factor in so much leftover (in spite of reduced order); and better too much than too little. Duncan happy to store leftovers again. N K Hall already booked.	Trish to contact Agric. Julie G to create a doodle for a 1st planning meeting in Nov. Julie G to check James happy to store again prior to Tattie Day.
3. Local Larder	Julie S updated us on recent new marketing approaches she's adopted – card holders for business cards, well distributed; advertising in local hospitality booklet which goes in local b+bs, hotels etc; supplier of the month on the website, suppliers like this; targeted facebook advertising v effective in local area; has opened Instagram account and on learning curve !	All - Any new local relevant businesses we learn of/encounter – pass on details to Julie S; likewise any closures. So she can keep site up to date.
4. Seed swap	Martin has been approached by the Heritage Seed Library about putting the date of our seed swap event in their catalogue. This would be Gardeners Question Time where seed swap is available. GQT booked for Friday 18 January. Lesley, Martin and Anne agreed to organise the event. Seed swap workshop on Sat 1 st Sept – talk about what seed we all have after this workshop (most of us attending)	Anne/Martin/Lesley to liaise Julie G – contact Munros re leftover seed Lesley – contact Tesco's, Macdonalds Trish - speak to Duncan Ross
5. Grow North	Comparison between this year's attendance and previous two years shows smaller numbers. Is it worth running for a 4 th year, if so what format ? what target users ? time to relook at GN format ? possibility to paying someone to organise (money not an issue) ? Agreed review meeting needed to look at these and other questions.	Julie G/Marcia/Lesley to meet
6. Community fridges	Anne meeting Emma at MuirHub to learn more about the community fridge. Has raised it as a possible initiative for NK Residents Association.	
7. Rowan winding up - update	Rowan winding up and have assets which can go to other charities with similar aims. Duncan has some cooking assets in their garage. Trish on the Rowan board and can represent our interests. Penny to write a proposal in relation to TBIs new plastic related initiative/group – possible some assets could be passed across to support this ?	Penny H to write proposal and send to Trish
Date of next meeting	Thurs 29 November Venue TBC	